

School: Atlantic Middle School
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SYLLABUS

TEACHER: Amanda A. Buscema

COURSE/GRADE LEVEL: General and Choral Music / Grades 6-8

INSRTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS: Classroom instruments, Recordings, Musical Works, Worksheets, Audio and visual aides

MAJOR TOPICS: The human voice

Breathing technique, range, phrasing, choral singing

Music Theory

Note Reading, Rhythm, Melody, Harmony

Instruments of the Orchestra

World Music

Cultural and Folk music from around the Globe

Patriotic Music

American Music

Roots of American music, Blues, Jazz, Music Theatre, Modern American music

ASSESSMENT TOOLS* (The following tools may be used for assessment): Teacher observations, performances, writing assignments, written assignment rubrics, homework, class participation, presentations, oral presentation rubrics, projects, project rubrics, peer-grading, self-assessment, interdisciplinary activities, co-operative learning projects, objective tests and quizzes.

* See Individual Student Education Plans or 504 Plans for modifications where applicable.

HOMEWORK EXPECTATIONS: Homework is expected to be completed and turned in on the appropriate due-date. It should be done neatly, and to the best of the students' ability.

GRADING POLICY:

Class participation/preparation

Homework

Quizzes/Tests

Performances/Projects/Other

MAKEUP PROCEDURE: If a student is absent, or is pulled from class for any reason, it is their responsibility to check-in with the teacher. They are responsible for any missed class-work, homework due, and/or homework assigned. Work due when a student was out of class must be handed in the next school day that the student is present. Work assigned when a student was out of class is due the next class meeting, unless otherwise noted.

GENERAL INFORMATION/MATERIALS: Students need a pencil, 2 pocket folder with 3 prongs, and their agenda book for each class meeting. Students will be notified in advance of any additional supplies that they may need.

Adjustments may be made to this syllabus to meet students* needs. If adjustments are made to this syllabus during the school year, parents/guardians will be notified and a new syllabus will be distributed.